

as a member of the House, he has stood tall for the "dignity of mankind." He has never faltered in the long walk toward justice. He has never feared the good fight. He knows how to build a coalition and bring together disparate voices under one tent. We need more JOE KENNEDYS in the U.S. House of Representatives. We need men and women who are willing to stand up for the enduring principles of democracy. JOE KENNEDY is, above all else, an American patriot—he cares deeply for justice, equal opportunity and peace.

As we lose one of the finest members of this Congress, Massachusetts gains a concerned and tireless citizen. I know he will not give up in fighting for those who will need heated homes for the long New England winters. He will continue to speak up and speak out for what is right and for what is just and for what is fair.

It was JOE's father—Robert Kennedy—who used to say: "Some men see things as they are and say why, I dream of things that never were and say why not." JOE KENNEDY has lived up to his father's words. He has always said "why not?"

I am convinced that the spirit of history will continue to guide JOE KENNEDY. I pray that the spirit of history guides him to even greater challenges. Thank you, JOE, for your great service to our nation. You have made a profound difference in the lives of millions of Americans. I will miss you, your colleagues will miss you and the American people will miss you. Keep your eyes on the Prize!

#### RECEIPT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARD BY COORS BREWING COMPANY

#### **HON. BOB GOODLATTE**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 20, 1998*

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay recognition to the outstanding work done by Coors Brewing Company in its Shenandoah facility in the area of protecting the environment. Under the leadership of plant manager, Bob Merchant, Coors was recently awarded the Environmental Excellence Award by the Virginia Water Environment Association (VWEA).

VWEA is one of 77 members of the Water Environment Federation. The Federation is dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of the global water environment and is committed to providing technical information to a worldwide audience, expanding quality services to members, and building alliances with other organizations.

VWEA selected Coors for its environmental commitment in the area of wastewater treatment for using the most advanced technology and for adhering to the highest of water quality standards—all in the effort to protect the South Fork of the Shenandoah River. The Association also recognized the company for developing and implementing specific actions for eliminating nonpoint source pollution, and educating the citizens of the Commonwealth about the protection, conservation and wise utilization of water.

This forward-thinking operation is a model for any company that seeks to go above and beyond simple compliance in its management of environmental issues.

After all, water is one of the most important ingredients in beer, and it is one with which consumers closely identify the company. Coors' commitment to water conservation and environmental control began when the brewery opened its doors 125 years ago, and their commitment clearly continues to this day.

The Coors Shenandoah facility at Elkton, Virginia, has been a great neighbor, a good employer, and a place we have over the years come to count on for true leadership on a range of important environmental issues. It is with pride and pleasure that I pay tribute to the outstanding performance of Coors Shenandoah.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. CLEO WILLIAMS

#### **HON. BOB ETHERIDGE**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 20, 1998*

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of an outstanding North Carolina educator, Mr. Lion Cleo Williams. Mr. Williams passed away on July 16, 1998 at the age of 81.

While pursuing his undergraduate teaching degree from North Carolina Appalachian State Teachers College, he interrupted his studies to serve in the United States Army during World War II. He later received his master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Cleo Williams began his 35-year career as an educator with the Lee County School System in 1947. He served 19 years as a teacher and athletics coach at Broadway School. He taught a variety of subjects, including social studies, physical education, book-keeping, and typing. He coached football, girls and boys basketball, baseball, girls softball, and volleyball. Mr. Williams was also the very first driver's education instructor in Lee County. In 1966, he became the principal of Broadway School and held that position until he retired in 1982.

Mr. Williams touched the lives of many people in the Broadway community throughout his career. He influenced numerous students and served as a mentor to other teachers and school administrators. He held other leadership positions in the community, including President of the Broadway Lions Club and a board member of the Broadway United Methodist Church.

I send my sincerest condolences to his family for the loss of such a great man and cornerstone of the Broadway community.

#### NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

#### **HON. BOB SCHAFFER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 20, 1998*

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the efforts of community leaders, health care providers, non-profit organizations, contributors, and Congress in promoting breast cancer awareness and prevention. This month is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the perfect

time to begin life-saving practices such as mammograms and other methods of early prevention. It is also the perfect time to celebrate with breast cancer survivors, to stand with those who still fight, and to embrace those who have lost the women they love. These are the life-saving practices we should start now and never stop doing.

Mr. Speaker, the facts serve as a reminder that there is still so much to be done: One out of nine women in America will develop breast cancer in her lifetime; breast cancer takes the lives of more than 44,000 women a year; breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death for women and the first for women between the ages of 40 and 55 years of age; although mammograms are a proven method of early detection, a large proportion of women are not using mammography on an annual basis. A recent study reports that 56 percent of postmenopausal women did not have a mammogram the past year.

Lest we despair, let us also remember great medical accomplishments and personal victories: more than 1.6 million women who have fought breast cancer are alive today; and early detection and prompt treatment are saving more lives each year. The 5-year survival rate after treatment is more than 90 percent!

This year I cosponsored House Resolution 565 which stresses the importance of mammograms and biopsies as methods of early cancer detection. This bill also recognizes efforts by community organizations, government agencies, and health care organizations in promoting breast cancer awareness and affordable access to cancer prevention care. I am proud to say this resolution passed unanimously on October 9 of this year.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to end on a personal note. A dear friend of mine and close advisor has spent much of this month in the hospital fighting breast cancer. I think of her every day. When I pray for her strength and healing, I also thank God for the place she has had in my life and my success in Congress.

I am humbled that while she is weak, she thinks of me and that I am in her prayers. She continues to lend me her wisdom, her humor, and her strength. While she struggles, I can offer her only my friendship and my prayers. It is God who watches over both of us who will bring her through.

#### HONORING HOWARD F. SOMMER INSTITUTE FOR COMMUNITY LIVING Awardee

#### **HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 20, 1998*

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Howard F. Sommer for service to the Brooklyn community, and congratulate him as a recipient of an Institute for Community Living award.

Since late 1995, Howard Sommer has managed the New York Community Investment Company L.L.C. (NYCIC) as its President and CEO. NYCIC, an equity investment and loan fund established by the ten member banks of the New York Clearinghouse Association, provides growth capital to small businesses throughout New York and offers similar risk